FISCAL NOTE

SB 2537 - HB 2574

February 6, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Provides that a person commits the offense of *criminal exposure to drug trafficking* who manufactures, delivers, or sells a Schedule I or a Schedule II controlled substance, if at the time of the offense, such person was accompanied by a child under 13 years of age. Criminal exposure to drug trafficking will be punished as a Class D felony.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$28,700/Incarceration*

Assumes three Class D felony convictions each year.

*Section 9-4-210, TCA, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law. The amount appropriated for operating cost, in current dollars, shall be based upon the highest cost of the next 10 years, beginning with the year the additional sentence to be served impacts the correctional facilities population.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director